

for him until he lets me know  
more particularly about the latter.

I have written to Watson about a  
small set of Palmer's plants which  
I think you wrote me some time  
since could be had for him. I  
will write to him <sup>(Commons)</sup> at once about these  
things.

Dr. Engelmann is very busy  
on the oak and birch questions just  
now, and keeps Puddle and me  
on the jump for switches.

Mrs. Ames has just sent me  
a lot of plants which I shall share  
with Mr. Ball.

Am truly & gratefully Yours

John M. Coulter

Urbington Nov 17/76  
Dear Dr. Eng.

I am a  
little and glad to see you,  
for Mrs. C. would not let me  
go with and it was probably  
well, for I have been much  
troubled with rheumatism or  
something else in my thigh.

Mr. Parry has not sent  
me any of the new little  
plant that could not bear  
to be a northern bear, and  
your letter is the best indica-  
tion of it and of your and  
Parry's kindness. I am very  
sensible of the honor you would  
do me though my name can  
carry nothing with it in a

very few years; but above all  
I prize the thought of the  
kindness of friends which a  
love for Botany has brought me,  
and which I thank God for  
almost as much as for anything  
He has given me. As to the  
smallness or insignificance of  
the plant, that may well be  
its significance so far as anything  
I have done for the science is  
concerned, and certainly needs a  
eulogy. If you carry out your  
idea or intend to, I must  
write to thank Parry who has al-  
ways been most friendly.

Box, with books & packages  
came in perfect safety. I am  
perfectly charmed with Botany  
Californica, which in hastily plan-  
ning through it seems to take

in a good deal more than it,  
name would indicate, judging by  
the localities mentioned & the  
many species noticed but not  
strictly included in the work. How  
much we, who are students,  
have to thank you, who are our  
teachers, for! One can't imagine  
how rejoiced I am to get this work  
which is worthy of its author, - and  
that is saying all that can  
be said.

B. & A. Gen. Plant 2 p. 2. is  
much larger than I expected. As  
soon as you let me know the  
price I will remit, as I have  
already to Watson for the Bot. Cal.  
and the plants.

Now a word for Commens. He  
wants my recess - Bot. Cal. & and  
also Gen. Plant. - which please hold